

SPORTS AND RECREATION

Utah Wins National High School Rodeo Crown

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The National High School Rodeo Association's championship belongs to the team from the state of Utah. The Utah team members put together 5,590 points to top the Texas team with 5,462 points, followed by Oklahoma with 3,378 points, during the National High School finals Rodeo, which was held in Springfield, Illinois the last weekend in July.

Jennifer Lytle of St. George, Utah, repeated as the reserve champion for the girl's all-around title. Lytle, the defending champion in the goat-tying event, finished third this year. The gregarious flaxen-haired horsewomen also finished eighth in breakaway roping to cap off a very successful High School rodeo career. She piloted her horse to girl's Horse-of-the-Year honors during the National Championship rodeo.

Miss Cutie Glo carried Lytle to three consecutive goat-tying titles in the state of Utah. The top-ranked rodeo duo is headed to the nationally ranked college rodeo program at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Lytle earned a scholarship to rodeo for the top-ranked collegiate program.

Kassie Mowry of Cedar City, Utah, won the barrel racing title and teamed up with Jackie Dannley of Enterprise for the one-two sweep in the cloverleaf competition. Jamie Jarvis just missed making a one-two-three finish for Utah as she captured the fourth spot in the barrel racing event. Nicole Mitchell of West Bountiful finished in 13th place.

Derek Denton of Sterling, Utah, brought home the national champions saddle to Utah after winning the boy's cow cutting event. Deron Hughes of Spanish Fork finished in fourth place.



The National High School rodeo team from Utah.

Eagle Mountain resident Megan Jensen, led the girls to a six-seven-eighth place finish in the girls cow cutting event. Jamie Clark of Corrine and Jenna Coombs of Nephi were seventh and eighth respectively.

Lance Sagers of Rush Valley finished sixth in the bareback event and Colby Olsen of South Jordan finished in 12th place.

Gary Grant of Hooper was eighth in saddle broncs and Farmington's Clint Robinson finished 11th in the steer wrestling event. Coby Hadley completed the winning marks for Utah with a 15th place performance in the calf roping event.

Angi Prevedel of Hooper, and a member of the popular Spikers Rodeo Club, finished as the second attendant in the National High School Rodeo queen competition. Angela Oman of Garland, Utah, was the reigning National Rodeo Queen and served as host for the champion's award ceremonies to complete her term as National Queen.

The NHSRA Association crowned the second for the Utah team. They also won the National title in 1996 and have been in the national top-10 for the past 10 years. Utah High School rodeo members rank second only to Texas for number of members per capita across the nation.

Training at Soldier Hollow

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Sabasteanski. "In fact, it's perfect!"

During previous events held earlier in the summer, athletes ran the course and then shot at the targets during their training. The paved track enables them to use roller skis.

"Using the roller skis helps us train better because they are close to our actual competition skis," Sabasteanski said. "It also saves on our legs, there isn't so much pounding."

There are only three U.S. women and four men that have been training with the Ukrainians at the Soldier Hollow venue. The Ukrainians are the first international team to train at this site.

Sabasteanski liked training with the Ukrainians because she gets the chance to see how her

team compares with them, plus knowing the Olympics are going to be at Soldier Hollow is a plus.

The athletes have been in rigorous training for the past week and will continue it until their winter training begins.

"We go to a lot of camps, Soldier Hollow is just one of the stops we make," Sabasteanski said.

Now that things are starting to come together, athletes will either pick up the pace or slow their pace depending on what coaches tell them to do.

To be an athlete like this, one must be able to train all year long. In fact, rumor has it that some of the athletes have moved out here to train on the venue everyday.

Whether it is in the winter or in the summer, these athletes train hard and have the desire to do what they love — the sport of biathlon.

Fall Soccer Sign-ups

Sign-ups for Fall Soccer will be August 23rd, from 8:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., August 24th to September 1st, from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and on Saturday, August 26th, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Recreation Office (55 South 500 East (Old Hospital)).

This youth program is for girls and boys from 4-18 years of age. Play will begin on September 20th.

There will be a free clinic for all participants on September 16th done by the Heber Valley Soccer Club and the Wasatch girls soccer team. If there are any questions and for registration fees, call 654-2700 and ask for Parks and Recreation.

Women's Outdoor Workshop

An outdoor workshop for women will be offered September 15th-17th at Camp Wapiti in Settlement Canyon, outside Tooele.

Open to anyone 18-years of age or older, the workshop gives women the opportunity to learn hunting, fishing, and other outdoor recreation skills. Classes offered at the workshop include: Canoeing/Kayaking, backpacking, shotgun, muzzle-loader, rifle and handgun shooting, basic fishing, fly-fishing, archery, wildlife identification, field game care, outdoor photography, and Dutch oven cooking.

The registration fee is \$150 for those who register by September 1st. The fee includes all meals, lodging, and use of equipment.

While many of the workshop instructors will be provided by the DWR, some will be volunteers from Utah's Sportswomen.

For more information or to sign up, contact Ralynne Takeda at (801)538-4710 or Jodi Peck at (801)489-5678.

County Sports, Activities, & Schedule At a Glance
Events Scheduled

Wasatch High School

Wasatch vs. Cedar City (varsity)

The Wasatch High School football team will start their season and will be the first game of the season for these gridiron boys. This season will be at 7:00 p.m. at Cedar City High School.

Wasatch vs. Waterford (girls)

It is the first home game of the season! The Lady Wasp soccer team will play the ladies from Waterford High School on Wednesday, August 16th, play right after at 5:00 p.m. Don't miss the chance to come and support your enthusiasts!

Wasatch Jr. High School

Wasatch vs. Lonepeak (girls)

The Junior High team finally has their own soccer team. This year the High School, but now they have their own schedule. Under the new schedule these ladies will start their season at Lonepeak on August 16th.

Recreation Activities and Happenings

Wasatch Mountain State Park Golf

On August 17th, there will be a golf scramble tournament at Wasatch Mountain State Park Midway. The tournament will feature breakfast, dinner, and awards. Call Morgan at 654-3053 for more information.

NSA Co-Ed State Tournament

On August 25th and 26th, there will be a state co-ed softball tournament at Midway Lane. The tournament is for co-ed classes, c.e. The cost is \$10.

MOUNTAIN BIKE FOUND AT SOUTHERN

FEEL LIKE YOU'VE LOST YOUR MOUNTAIN BIKE? YOU CAN REPORT IT TO THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOUND A MOUNTAIN BIKE AT SOUTHERN FIELD PARK. IF THIS IS YOURS PLEASE CALL 657-2304 TO CLAIM IT.

Moms and Tots

This is a great "play group" opportunity for Moms to get their kids and other moms of similar age, and it gives mom a chance to socialize with other moms. Presentation or hand-out is offered each week. Currently the group meets at McDonald's playland in Heber. Once weather permits, the group will meet at Wasatch County Park playground on Midway lane. Anyone can join, no registration required. Call 657-2304 for more information.

Age Group Swim Team

Sign up for June, July, and/or August, for the age group swim team. Great opportunity to work on swimming strokes, competitive swimming. There will be six swim meets throughout the summer. 3rd-5th graders swim on Monday and Wednesday from 8:00-9:00 p.m.

Community Aerobics Schedule

The schedule for Wasatch County Parks and Recreation's Community Aerobics beginning July 5th. The new schedule will be as follows: Monday 6:00 a.m.-6:30 a.m., and at 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. Saturday classes are held at 8:00 a.m. Currently, no evening classes are being offered due to the lack of an indoor facility. For more information.

New Water Aerobics Classes

Wasatch county Parks and Recreation is offering new Water Aerobics classes. Beginning July 5th, classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 a.m. at the Wasatch Jr. High School (formerly Wasatch Middle School). For more information. Come see how fun a workout can be!

Call Tom, Amaria, or Helen at the Wasatch County Parks and Recreation at 657-2304 for information on any of the programs and events.

Free Golf Clinic

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